30. Sy. No. 91 & 203/1 Delhi Cantt.	1585.00 Sft.
31. Sy. No. 105/2 D/Cantt.	2.00 Acres
32. Sy. No. 15 Piggery Delhi Cantt.	0.526 Acres

Upgrading Vijayanta Tanks

4259. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:
Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report published in the Economic Times of August 11, 1993 under the caption 'Vijayantas to be upgraded, delay in Arjun induction';

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether there is any delay in the manufacture of Arjun tanks, if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government have decided to upgrade its fleet of Vijayanta tanks; if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Vijayanta upgrade programme is independent of the programme for the induction of MBT-Arjun. Presently user trials of pre-production tanks of the MBT-Arjun is in progress and the production planning process has commenced. The question of delay in manufacturing the M. B. T. Arjun does not arise at this stage; and its production and induction programme has no bearing on the Vijayanta upgrade programme. The Vijayanta upgrade programme consists of many different elements with a view to increasing its power, improving its fire control systems and its night fighting capabilities.

सेना द्वारा ली गई आदिवासियों की भूमि

4260. श्री जयदेव डालम्ब पास्वान : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सेना रांची (बिहार) में "गाड़ी खोटभारा" के प्लाट संख्या 1337 और 1338 की आदिवासियों की भूमि पर अवैध रूप से कब्जा कर रखे है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो सरकार ने इस भूमि को सेना से छुड़ाने के लिए क्या कदम उठाए हैं क्योंकि इसके कारण उस जगह से आने-जाने वाले ग्रामवासियों को असुविधा हो रही है?

रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) और (ख) रक्षा विभाग द्वारा "गाड़ी खोटभारा" गांवों सहित आदिवासियों की भूमि का विधिवत अधिग्रहण किया गया था। अधिग्रहण के समय, लगभग 10 एकड़ भूमि पर "गाड़ी खोटभारा" के ग्रामीणों ने अवैध रूप से कब्जा कर लिया था जिनके विरूद्ध बाद में स्थानीय सैन्य प्राधिकारियों ने उनसे भूमि खाली कराने की कार्रवाई शुरू की और उन्हें उस भूमि से बेदखल कर दिया।

उस क्षेत्र में रह रहे आदिवासी सैन्य क्षेत्र से बेरोकटोक गुजरने के लिए समय-समय पर अभ्यावेदन देते रहे हैं। यह मामला ग्रामीणों और स्थानीय सैन्य प्राधिकारियों के बीच आपसी बातचीत से हल कर लिया गया था। जब यह मामला हाई कोर्ट ऑफ जुडीकेचर, पटना, रांची पीठ में चलाया गया तो न्यायालय ने स्थानीय प्राधिकारियों द्वारा ग्रामीणों के साथ विचार-विमर्श करके तय की गई व्यवस्था के संबंध में अपनी सहमति व्यक्त की।

Acquisition of British AS-90 gun system

4261. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indian Army is likely to acquire British AS-90 gun system;

(b) what are the results of the field trials;

(c) whether the agreement has been finalised for the purchase of the gun;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what are the main factors weighing for the acquisition of the AS-90 gun system?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (e) Proposals for the induction of a Self Propelled Artillery Gun, (of which the AS-90 S. P. Gun is one of the various systems available internationally), have not yet reached the stage of acquisition or introduction. No other details can be divulged in the national security interest.

Supply of Spares from C. I. S.

4262. DR. SANJAYA SINH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any steps, so far to get the normal supply of spares for the I. A. F. restored from the Commonwealth of Independent States (C. I. S.); and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) The problems encountered in the supply of spares from Russia had been taken up at the highest levels with the Russian authorities. Arrangements have been made to ensure normalcy in supplies.

Advanced warning Aircraft and Control System

4263. DR. SANJAYA SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to acquire an advanced warning Aircraft and Control System for the I. A. F.;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) The Government have no proposal to acquire an Advanced Warning Aircraft and Control System for the IAF.

Role of MOD in Formulation of Policies of CSD

4264. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the role of Ministry of Defence in the formulation of policies in Canteen Stores Department;

(b) whether Ministry is represented on the Board of Management of Canteen Stores Department;

(c) how often does this board or body meet;

(d) whether at any time the representatives of the Ministry have raised with the CSD the role of functioning of small scale sector in CSD; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (e) Ministry of Defence is responsible for formulation of major policies in respect of the functioning of the Canteen Stores Department (CSD). This responsibility is exercised through the Board of Control of Canteen Services (BOCCS) chaired by Raksha Mantri/Raksha Rajya Mantri and represented by senior officials of the Ministry of Defence and the Service HQrs as Members, and through the Executive Committee (EC) of the Board of Control which is represented by the senior officials of the Ministry of Defence and Army HQrs. The BOCCS meets once in a year and the EC meets periodically as and when required.

The BOCCS and the EC discuss various issues relating to the CSD from time to time take appropriate decisions and issue suitable directions. As regards supplies to the CSD from the small scale sector, the policy is that as the CSD is required to cater to the demands of its entitled customers, only those items are to be purchased which are demanded by the customers, and in making its purchases no preference is given to any firm whether in the small or the large scale sector.

Profit shown by Canteen Stores Department

4265. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the profit shown by Canteen Stores Deptt. in 1991-92, 1992-93 respectively;

(b) whether it is a fact that the management of CSD has re-interpreted various rules and conditions in its books which are detrimental to the small scale sector;

(c) whether there is any hidden agenda to reduce the role played by the small scale sector in seeking to enhance its participation in the various activities of CSD;

(d) whether it is a fact that the present management of CSD has treated with contempt all representations and request by the small scale units and the tiny sector to obtain a just and fair role; and

(e) what directions will be given to the Canteen Stores Deptt. to place some emphasis in restoring earlier facilities given to the tiny sector and small scale sector in the issue of stiffening of financial conditions when supplying goods and items?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The Canteen Stores Deptt. (CSD) earned profits during 1991-92 and 1992-93 as per details given below:—

1991-92	—	Rs. 27.58 crores
1992-93 (Unaudited)	—	Rs. 43.20 crores

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.